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Stelmach to create salary review board

POLITICS Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach has agreed to set up an independent committee by this fall to review the salary and benefits for the province's elected members. Stelmach's Progressive

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Conservatives have rejected this option in the past.
But in a rare move,
Stelmach said in the legislature yesterday he would
support an opposition motion calling for an
independent salary review.

Many Albertans have been critical of the premier and his ministers for voting themselves 30 per cent pay raises a couple of years ago.

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Canadian Ashleigh McIvor celebrates after winning the Olympic gold medal yesterday in the women's ski-cross competition at Cypress Mountain. McIvor's victory boosted Canada's gold-medal count to six. More Olympics, pages 2, 4, 14 & 15.

Mother charged

No other suspects in deaths of Millet children: RCMP

ANDREAS MORSE for Metro Edmonton

RCMP arrested and charged the mother of two children found dead in their Millet home with two counts of second-degree murder on Monday.

The case that is getting international media attention is still under investigation

RCMP K Division's Cpl. Wayne Oakes said Allyson Louise McConnell, 31, will remain under 24-hour supervision or guard in an Edmonton-area medical facility until she is deemed medically able to be transferred to a correctional fa-

"She's the only person in custody; she's the only person facing charges. At this point in time ... they do not anticipate any additional charges."

Cpl. Wayne Oakes, RCMP K Division

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"Investigators have gone through a process of speaking with Ms. McConnell and that took place prior to the charges being sworn," Oakes said.

"There will have to be consultation with medical personnel to ensure that, medically speaking, there would be no apparent risks to her being transferred to such a facility."

The bodies of 10-monthold Jayden McConnell and two-year-old Connor Mc-Connell were discovered by a family member on Feb. 1 in their home located at 5107-52 St. in Millet.

"Based on grounds that our investigators obtained, they did have reasons to swear the two charges against Allyson McConnell, the mother of the two children," Oakes said. "She's the only person in custody; she's the only person facing charges. At this point in time, based on where the investigation stands today, they do not anticipate any additional charges."

McConnell will make her first court appearance on March 16 in Wetaskiwin provincial court.

"We do continue to appeal to the public for any information that may relate to this," Oakes said. "That's in an effort to ensure that we do not overlook anything, that investigators are thorough and diligent and cover every potential avenue of investigation that's possible."

Local curler gunning for gold at the Games: Wife

vancouver 2010 **Games**

SUPPORT Behind every successful athlete there's a group of supporters cheering them on to victory.

The Canadian men's curling team is no different. About 70 supporters made their way from the City of Champions to take in the Winter Games, and more specifically, cheer Kevin Martin's curling team on to Olympic gold.

"It's been amazing."

"It's been amazing," said Shauna Martin, Kevin's wife. "As much as I thought it

was going to be great that this one was going to be in Canada, it's always exciting to go to another country.



Kevin Martin

But when I got here, to see the Canadian crowd in the building, it was unbelievable."

Martin said she's been able to find time to take in many of the sights and sounds surrounding the Olympics. "I went up to Whistler and the whole crowd up there is just amazing," she said.

Martin said from a curling point of view, the crowd, facility and experience has been second to none. That's exactly what she's hoping for as far as results are concerned: "Of course we're looking for gold," she said.

The men's and women's curling semifinals go to-morrow. The medal rounds take place Friday and Saturday.

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Hospital rewarded for care of soldiers

Rehabilitation facility presented cheque

MONIQUE MASSIAH

Born on Father's Day in 1983, Nathan Hornburg was a great student and athlete who joined the reserves straight out of high school. Hornburg was eventually killed while serving in Afghanistan when the armoured recov-

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"They really proved to me that I am capable of so much more."

Cpl. Mark Fuchko

ery vehicle he was driving struck an IED.

Hornburg's father, Michael, was at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital yesterday to present a cheque on behalf of the Royal Alberta United Services Institute foundation and his own organization, Loops for the Troops, as a thank you to the facility for their excellent care of Canadian soldiers.

"We want to help the Canadian Forces in a very direct and meaningful way,"

said Hornburg. Opened in 1964, the Glenrose is the largest rehabilita-tion facility in Western Canada and is known for its innovative use of technology and excellent quality of care.

Cpl. Mark Fuchko came to the Edmonton hospital in 2008 after being struck and severely wounded by an IED in Afghanistan. The technology and rehabilitation provided by the centre has enabled Fuchko, who lost both feet, to live a life most people take for grant-

"I'm walking like every-one else," he said. "They really proved to me that I am capable of so much more."



Canada's Jesse Lumsden, left, and Pierre Lueders will take to the track with their teammates for the four-man bobsled event on

Lumsden hits the sled for Olympic journey

2010 **Games**

ATHLETE Jesse Lumsden, the

CFL star-turned-Canadian bobsled champion, is making his first Olympic appearance in Vancouver, and in a career filled with accolades he ranks the Games at the top of the list.

"Representing your country at the Olympics is such ... a huge feat," Lumsden told The Sports Network.

The six-foot-two, 226-pound running back first turned to bobsledding as a way of supplementing his football training.

"From there, it became a bit of a passion," he said. When his 2009 season with the Edmonton Eski-

dislocated his shoulder, he decided to return to the sled and try to make the Olympic team.

From there, Lumsden competed in the world cup season with Neville Wright, Justin Kripps and Pierre Lueders, the team's pilot. The foursome eventually qualified for the Olympics.

And come Friday, when Lumsden's team takes to the Whistler track for the four-man bobsled event, all eyes will be on the brakeman's play. It's a spotlight that suits him just fine.

"I like to consider myself a big-game kind of guy. I love the excitement of playing in the big game, and I love the challenge of it."

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Alberta team seeking causes of inflammatory bowel disease

HEALTH Finding out you have Crohn's disease is not something every fit 20-yearold wants to discover.

Now at 30. Patrick Leroux described it as a roller-coaster of unpredictable weakness, steroids and visits to the hospital.

"It's endless medications and tests, drink this and in-ject that," he said.

Leroux is one of the participants in a study by the Alberta Inflammatory Bow-el Disease (IBD) Consortium, which is seeking the root causes of IBD.

Crohn's disease chronic inflammation of the intestines with symptoms like diarrhea, abdominal pain and weight loss.

Dr. Leo Dieleman, associate professor of medicine at the University of Alberta, says the study is important because Alberta has one of the highest rates of Crohn's in the country.

MONIQUE MASSIAH/ FOR METRO EDMONTON

News in brief

PRINCIPAL The Alberta Teachers' Association has found a former high school principal guilty of having a sexual relationship with a student. Leonard Lethebe

admitted to romantic relations with a teenage girl, but argued he did not believe she was a student when the relationship be-THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Ontario is looking at cashing in on Internet gambling, following the lead of other Canadian provinces in having its lottery corporation possibly deliver online wagering. Virtual gambling is a reality and the Ontario government obviously cannot ignore it for long, said Premier Dalton McGuinty. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Expert pans Williams surgery

A leading expert on heart repair says he would rarely recommend the type of heart surgery Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Danny Williams, left, received earlier this month at a Miami hospital because its only long-term benefit is cosmetic. Dr. Thierry Mesana, chief of cardiac surgery at the University of Ottawa Heart Institute, says he would offer the "minimally invasive" procedure only to young women hoping to avoid a chest scar.

Corporate tax cuts to stay: Officials

Feds to look at spending cuts to rein in deficit

Faced with skyrocketing debts, the federal Conservatives say they will begin cutting spending on government programs in the March 4 budget. But the massive corporate tax cuts that are deepening Ottawa's deficit hole every year will not be touched, officials say.

Despite a record annual

Despite a record annual budget deficit of \$56 billion, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty will look elsewhere to try to start putting the federal government's financial house back in order.

In fact, the government is expected to continue phasing in deeper business tax reductions over the next few years.

In all, between 2008 and 2014, these cuts are reducing the cash-strapped federal government's tax take by a cumulative \$60 billion.

While these major tax savings for business have

NDP response

• The NDP says that, as a result of 10 years of cutting corporate taxes, individuals are carrying 61 per cent of the cost of government programs, while corporations now pay only 15 per cent.

attracted little public attention, they are an important factor in the financial mess that has arisen since Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Conservatives took power.

Without the corporate tax reductions brought in by Flaherty since 2006, the \$160-billion cumulative budget deficit being run up by 2014 would be reduced by more than one-third—to about \$100 billion.

There have been ripples of concern on Bay Street that corporate tax breaks would offer a tempting target for a deficit-burdened finance minister. In a research report last month, BMO Capital Markets analysts noted that the Harper government has been reducing taxation of corporate profits "with the objective of improving productivity and being globally competitive."

But the report speculates that Flaherty, in an attempt to deal with Ottawa's budget shortfall, might delay or adjust the planned reduction in federal corporate tax rates. The rates are scheduled to be reduced to 15 per cent in 2013 from 19 per cent in 2009.

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A Quebec singer beaten unconsciou by strangers blasts drunken tourists from English Canada. Scan this code for the story.

Justice minister Feds limit pre-trial custody credit



Federal legislation limiting the amount of credit prisoners can get for time served in custody before and during their trial has become law, Justice Minister Rob Nicholson announced yesterday.

CSIS visit led to torture: Records

TERROR Newly released records say Canada's spy agency travelled to Egypt to get information from a Toronto man, likely con-

tributing to his mistreatment by authorities there.

The previously unknown visit by Canadian Security Intelligence Service officers became public yesterday as a federal commission dis-

closed once-secret El Maati pages of an inquiry report on the overseas torture of Ahmad El Maati and two other Arab-Canadians.

The Harper government and commission lawyers squabbled for more than a year about the sensitive portions of the report, which the government balked at making public due to national security concerns.

In his report released in October 2008, former

October 2008, former
Supreme Court justice Frank Iacobucci
found that Canadian
officials were likely
partly to blame for
the torture of El
Maati, Abdullah Almalki and Muayyed
Nureddin by sharing
information — including unfounded
accounts of extremism —

with foreign agencies.

The men, all of whom de-

The men, all of whom deny involvement in terrorism, were abused in Syrian prison cells.

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News in brief

HEALTH The gap between men's and women's life expectancy is narrowing as the average lifespan creeps ever higher in Canada, a new study indicates. Life expectancy for a baby born in the three-year period from 2005 to 2007 has reached 80.7 years, says the study released yesterday by Statistics Canada. That's up from the average of 80.5 between 2004 and 2006, and 78.4 a decade earlier.

CLEANUP One of Canada's leading freshwater scientists says Manitoba is squandering millions on a plan to clean up Lake Winnipeg. David Schindler says the province is wasting cash trying to remove nitrogen when he says phosphorus is the real culprit.

TRIAL The trial of an immigration judge who allegedly offered to approve an application in exchange for sex is being shown a video secretly shot by the woman's boyfriend.

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Believe there is a problem

GRAMMAR It has become emblematic and familiar to TV viewers of the 2010 Winter Games.

But that musical phenomenon known as I Believe may in fact provide the true legacy of the Games: Nikki bad grammar. "I be-Yanofsky lieve in the power of



you and I," 16-yearold Nikki Yanofsky sings. "Of course, we

grammarians know that the words should be 'believe in the power of you and me' since 'of' is a preposition and takes an object," says Joanne Buckley, a professor at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ont., and one of the country's pre-eminent grammarians.

The song has been No. 1 on iTunes Canada's playlist for 13 straight days and has spawned a merchandising bonanza for the broadcasters.

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Canadians own these Olympics



he media, me included, never saw it coming.

It took a long time for us to recognize it, though we were all sniffing around looking for The Olympic Story like hungry hounds for a ham bone.

I knew something was up as I walked to my downtown Vancouver office on the second morning of the Games: There was a lineup in front of what is usually the SFU Business School, now transformed into the Canada Mint Pavilion.

It was 8 a.m., yet there were hundreds, even thousands, of people standing in line waiting for ... some-

It took the media a couple of days to figure it out \dots were they in line to buy commemorative coins? No, it turns out they lined up just to touch an Olympic

Huh?

And if you think waiting

2010**Games**

for up to seven hours just to touch a medal is strange. there are people lined up for all kinds of weird and wonderful things in this Olympic-besotted city: Buy a pair of Olympic mittens; get an unobstructed view of the Olympic torch; buy a \$9 beer at a pavilion; ride the zipline across Robson Square; ride the Canada Line; or buy the culinary street sensation of these Games: The Japadog, a of bizarre concoction bratwurst, seaweed and

wasabi that enjoys inexplicable multicultural appeal.
And that, folks, is The Story. The "people" have redeemed these Games.
Instead of joining the applications of Olympic applicables.

anvil chorus of Olympic scolds, people just decided to celebrate.

They parted company with the media right from the opening ceremonies, when all we saw was mechanical failure. They saw magic. We saw the mess up at Cypress Bowl. They went and cheered their champions, lustily exhorting them to go ahead, own the podium; don't be shy. We saw the oppressive boot of

VANOC land on unauthorized Olympic marketers. They went out and bought every single piece of official Olympic gear available, including more than three million pairs of red mittens. Even the lions guarding the entrance to the Lions Gate Bridge have their own, super-size red mittens.

We were in denial, but they were irrepressible. And they won. These Olympics are a success because ordinary Canadians embraced them and infused them with enough good cheer to vanquish any residual gloom. They have

set the bar for successive Olympic crowds. The U.S. may own the podium, but Canada owns the stands. And the streets.

As a charter member of the anvil chorus, I admit defeat. We spent six billion bucks on the Olympic Games. And to our surprise, we got a huge shot of grassroots national unity as a bonus. This city, this nation, will never be the

With five days left, what can I say? Go Canada Go.

Paul Sullivan is a Vancouver-based journalist and owner of Sullivan Media Consulting; vancouverletters@metronews.ca.

Word on the street: Has Canada's image been tarnished by foreign criticism of the **Vancouver Olympics?**

Melissa King

Edmonton

A: No. I've heard of the torch not working very well but it's not really a big deal. The Olympics

Julio **Henriquez**

A: No. I don't think



Tarra Jan Kongsrude Edmonton

A: I think foreign

Arciszewski Vancouver

A: That's the thing about Canadians, we don't care. I mean, let's go have a beer, it doesn't



Vikki Wishart Vancouver

A: The energy has been nothing but positive. I don't positive. I don't know what's going on out there, but here, people are very happy and the ener-

Jordan Walker

thing goes along with each Olympics. I think for me and most people I've talked to it's actualboosted our patriotism





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UN urges Albanians to co-operate with investigation into organ harvesting claims

A UN human rights expert is urging Albania to fully co-operate with a probe into claims Serb civilians were killed in the country for their organs during the 1999 war in Kosovo. Serbian officials claim ethnic Albanian guerrillas sent kidnapped Serb civilians to Albania during the war, killed them and sold their organs on the black market. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World



Court weighs material support of terror

The Obama administration is defending parts of a key anti-terror law against a U.S. Supreme Court challenge from humanitarian groups. The administration urged the court yesterday to uphold the law's ban on providing support to foreign terrorist organizations designated by the State Department even when it consists of training and advice about peaceful activities such as lobbying the United Nations. The government's lawyer Elena Kagan said any aid to terrorist groups "strengthens them."

Gates says Europe hindering NATO

washington Europeans' aversion to military force is limiting NATO's ability to fight wars effectively, U.S. Defence Secretary Robert Gates said yesterday.

The early successes of NATO in averting post-World War II eruptions of European conflict have led to a new set of concerns. Gates said. "The demilitarization of Europe where large swaths of the general public and political class are averse to military force and the risks that go with it - has gone from a blessing in the 20th century to an impediment to achieving real security and lasting peace in the 21st," he told an audience from many of NATO's 28 member countries.

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A crowd of evangelicals attacked Voodoo practitioners as rising eligious strife adds to Haiti's woes.

NATO chief apologizes

The commander of U.S. and NATO forces went on Afghan national television yesterday to apologize for a deadly airstrike, an extraordinary attempt to regain Afghans' trust while a mass offensive continues against the Taliban in the south.

In a video translated into the Afghan languages of Dari and Pashto, a stern Gen. Stanley McChrystal apologized for the strike in central Uruzgan province that Afghan officials say killed at least 21 people. The video was also posted on a NATO website.

"I pledge to strengthen our efforts to regain your trust to build a brighter future for all Afghans," Mc-Chrystal said in the video. "I have instituted a thorough investigation to prevent this from happening again"

from happening again."
Sunday's attack by NATO jets on a convoy of cars was

Afghan civilians killed in Sunday's airstrike.

the deadliest attack on civilians in six months and prompted a sharp rebuke from the Afghan government. The civilian deaths occurred as 15,000 NATO, U.S. and Afghan soldiers were in their 10th day of fighting insurgents in the town of Marjah. A Romanian soldier was killed yesterday and another was wounded in a bombing in southern Afghanistan unrelated to the offensive, Romanian officials said.

Two U.S. Marine battalions, accompanied by Afghan troops, pushing from the north and south of the insurgent stronghold finally linked up after more than a week yesterday.

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India Sikhs protest murders



A Sikh man protests against the Taliban and Pakistani government in Jammu, India, yesterday. The protest took place after the decapitated bodies of two Sikhs were found almost a month after they were kidnapped in Pakistan's Khyber tribal region.

News in brief

GOOGLE For the first time ever, Google Earth has released high-resolution pictures of "The Bonevard" - the world's largest military aircraft cemetery, located near the Davis-Monthan U.S. Air Force Base in Tucson, Ariz, Officially, it is called the 309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneraton Group (AMARG) facility. It covers about 2600 acres and is home to 4.400 retired aircraft from all branches of the U.S. military, including U.S. planes flown during the Second World War, and 13 aerospace vehicles. METRO NEWS SERVICES GERMANY The head of Germany's Lutheran Church is facing a criminal investigation and intense public scrutiny after being caught driving drunk. Bishop Margot Kaessmann was stopped by police in a churchowned car after ignoring a red traffic light in downtown Hannover on Saturday night, church spokesman Reinhard Mawick said yesterday. Kaessmann was quoted by the daily newspaper Bild as saying: "I'm shocked at myself that I committed such a grave mistake. I'm aware how dangerous and irresponsible drunk driving is." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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British rescuers say a dog that chased a seagull and fell off a 90-metre cliff WOrld into the sea on Feb. 14 has survived with only minor injuries. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Warrant out for mom

Woman missing with child shared with ex-partner

A judge overseeing a custody battle ordered the arrest yesterday of a woman who renounced homosexuality, became an evangelical Christian and disappeared with the young daughter she had

with her ex-partner.

Judge William Cohen found Lisa Miller of Vermont in contempt of court and issued the arrest warrant during a brief hearing in family court.

"I hope the judge's order today gives law enforce-ment the tools they need to find my daughter," Miller's former partner, Janet Jenkins, said after the hearing, holding up pictures of the girl, Isabella, and asking anyone who has seen her to contact police or the Center for Missing and Exploited Chil-

Miller's attorney phen Crampton said by phone dur-



Lisa Miller

the ing hearing that he did not know where the girl, now 7, or Miller are and that he objects to

arrest the warrant, which applies only in the state of Vermont.

"It seems that it would be an exercise in futility, given that while no one has any idea precisely where Ms. Miller and Isabella may be located as of right now, it seems least

Civil union

- Lisa Miller and Janet Jenkins were joined in a civil union in 2000 and Isabella was born to Miller in 2002. The couple split in 2003, and Miller moved to Virginia.
- The judge had awarded custody to Miller, but ordered a switch after finding Miller denied Jenkins visitation.

likely" that they would be in Vermont, he said.

Jenkins' attorney said it would be up to the state's attorney to seek a national arrest warrant on felony charges of custodial interference. A switch in custody had been scheduled for Jan. 1, but Miller didn't appear. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Haiti delivers seized orphans to U.S.

KIDS Haiti has handed U.S. officials six orphans its police seized over the weekend as they were about to board a plane for the United States, a top Haitian of-

ficial said yesterday.
Social Welfare agency chief Jeanne Bernard Pierre would not say exactly when her office transferred the children to the U.S. Embassy, and officials there did not return calls seeking confirmation.

A spokeswoman for U.S. Sen. Amy Klobuchar of Minnesota, who vened on behalf of the four women trying to escort the orphans out of Haiti, said the children were cleared



Minn., was among four women detained in Haiti as they were about to depart the

to depart Haiti by all the government The spokesrequired agencies. woman, Erikka Knuti, also said she expected the group to leave yesterday.

The children, ages 1 to 5, were seized by police Saturday after an angry crowd accosted the women escorting them at the airport earthquake-ravaged Port-au-Prince.

Their seizure — despite apparently complete legal paperwork — comes as many Haitians fear that foreigners are exploiting post-earthquake chaos to illegally take children from the country.

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Komodo dragon attacks park ranger

ASIA An Indonesian park ranger escaped an attack by a Komodo dragon, the world's largest lizard species, when his colleagues heard his cries for help and drove the reptile away.

Marcelinus Subanghadir was outside his hut on Ko-modo Island late Monday when a more than 2-meterlong dragon grabbed hold of his right foot, Komodo National Park chief Tamen Sitorus said.

The dragon had Subanghadir's foot clamped in

its shark-like, serrated teeth until fellow rangers heard his screams and drove it off with wooden clubs, Sitorus said

Subanghadir, 34, suffered deep lacerations and was re-

covering

at a hospital on nearby Bali. Komodo dragons can be found in the wild only on the eastern Indonesian islands of Komodo, Padar and Rinca

The lizards — thought to number fewer than 4,000 can grow longer than three metres and weigh 70 kilograms.

An eight-year-old boy was killed by one of the lizards in 2007 on Komodo Island.

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News in brief

TURKEY A methane gas explosion yesterday caused the collapse of an underground chamber of a Turkish coal mine in northwestern Turkey, killing 13 miners, officials and news reports said. The blast occurred at a mine near the

town of Dursunbey in Balikesir province.

CUBA Orlando Zapata Tamayo,

an opposition political activist imprisoned since 2003 died yesterday after a lengthy hunger strike, members of Cuba's human rights community

said. He had been jailed on charges including disrespecting authority.

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Restore confidence, Japan tells Toyota

Cabinet ministers called vesterday for Toyota to use high-profile congressional hearings in Washington to restore consumer confidence in the key U.S. mar-

Top Toyota officials were scheduled to answer questions from committees in the House of Representatives beginning yesterday. Akio Toyoda, Toyota's president and grandson of the company founder. dscheduled to appear to-

world's top automaker is facing an un-precedented crisis over its massive recalls of vehicles due to defects involving floor mats, gas pedals and brakes that have called into question its reputation



Rhonda Smith of Sevierville, Tenn., wipes her eyes as she talks about her experience with her Lexus' apparent sudden acceleration, while testifying before the House Oversight and Investigations subcommittee hearing on Toyota, yesterday, on Capitol Hill in Washington.

quality and safety honed over decades.

'Toyota is a company that has always put safety

Masayuki Naoshima told reporters after a Cabinet meeting.

"I hope its explanation will help the U.S. public understand this."

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Bonuses top \$20B: Official

Wall Street bonuses were up 17 per cent to over \$20 billion US in 2009, the year U.S. taxpayers bailed out the financial sector after its meltdown. New York state Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli said yesterday.

Total compensation at the largest securities firms grew beyond that figure and profits could surpass what he calls an unprecedented \$55 billion last year, DiNapoli said.

That's nearlv times Wall Street's record increase, a rate of growth that is boosted in part by the record losses in 2008 of nearly \$43 billion, the Democrat said.

"Wall Street is vital to New York's economy, and the dollars generated by the industry help the state's bottom line," said DiNapoli.

"But for most Ameri-cans, these huge bonuses are a bitter pill and hard to comprehend ... Taxpayers bailed them out, and now they're back making money while many New York families are still struggling to make ends meet.

And there's more

 The bonus estimate doesn't include compensation that Wall Streeters chose to take in stock options and other kinds of deferred pay-

DiNapoli supports reforms that require Wall Street bonuses to be tied to long-term profitability, to force more stability in the volatile markets and "make sure the securities industry thrives without driving the rest of us out on a fragile economic limb."

DiNapoli reviews tax collections each year and bases his annual projec-tion of Wall Street bonuses on income and other taxes paid in New York

DiNapoli the notes bonuses help state revenues tremendously as it faces an \$8.2-billion deficit, but they are a "bitter pill" to most taxpayers nationwide.

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Business in brief

ADVERTISING Puppet cleavage has been ruled out for advertising posters in Colorado Springs bus shelters. Lamar Advertising rejected posters for a touring production of the Broadway puppet show Avenue Q

because they show the cleavage of a fuzzy pink puppet. Lamar account executive Jeff Moore tells The Gazette of Colorado Springs the company takes a conservative approach

PROFITS Canadian bakery and grocery giant George Weston

Ltd. says its net earnings were \$82 million in the fourth quarter, as sales dipped 6.4 per cent over the same time last year. The company said its profit amounted to 53 cents per share for the period ended

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According to TD Waterhouse's ninth annual female investor poll, 36 per cent contribute regularly to an RRSP. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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RRSP Guide



Don't forget

The deadline for making contributions to your Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP) for the 2009 tax year is March 1, 2010. That means you only have five days left!

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Time left to invest before deadline



If you haven't saved enough cash to put into your RRSP but you have outside investments, you can move a portion of those into your RRSP accounts, financial experts suggest.

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The March 1 RRSP contribution deadline is almost upon us, and if you've procrastinated this far, you're probably sweating a bit.

Not to fear, you still have a few options left to make sure your money makes it into your RRSP account to get you those valuable tax savings.

David Sokolan, a financial adviser with Edward Jones in Edmonton, says the most important thing at the last minute is to get your money into an RRSP account, ideally in cash so that you don't buy anything you're not ready for. Once the deadline passes, you can sit down with your adviser at a more opportune time to

"Don't go out and buy something that you don't really understand." David Sokolan

plan out an investment strategy.

"If you're in a big hurry, you can park your money in cash for now. All you have to do is put money into the RRSP account and a contribution slip is generated," he said. "Don't go out and buy something that you don't really understand because it's easy to get into investments but always harder to get out."

Make sure to get a notice of assessment first so that you'll know exactly how much room you have to contribute, as going over your limit can be painful.

"If you over-contribute to your RRSP, it will cost you

extensive time and money to sort it out," Sokolan said.

If you already have an RRSP account set up, you can do an online deposit of cash right into your RRSP account, a good option for people lost for time.

If you haven't saved

If you haven't saved enough cash to put into your RRSP but you have outside investments, So-kolan suggests you move a portion of those into your RRSP accounts and they will count as a contribution just as money would.

Lastly, cashable GICs can be a good option if you don't want your money just sitting around in the RRSP but don't want to commit it too strongly — most are cashable in 30-60 days and generate interest up to the date you cash them.

Whatever you do, don't expect miracles to happen at the last minute, says Tom Hamza, president of the Investor Education Fund.

"It's like exercise — if you think that at the last day of RRSP season you can go out and run a marathon, you'll hurt yourself. It's something you have to plan for," Hamza said.

Don't dwell on past mistakes — a new day is a new chance to get back on track with your goals.

"Don't look back, look forward. There's no point in beating yourself up — but there is a point in acting, and we can all change what we do for the future," Hamza said.

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You can still build retirement savings after RRSPs — although you can't contribute to an RRSP after age 71, you can still invest in your Tax-Free Savings Account. NEWS CANADA

Start planning for next year now

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Going to miss the March 1 RRSP contribution deadline or simply didn't save as much as you wanted this year? Don't lose hope — you can come out swinging in 2010 if you plan ahead.

John Nardi, a financial adviser with Edward Jones, says even if you haven't met your RRSP goals this year, it's important to pick yourself up and evaluate how you can move forward.

"Don't get discouraged. Find out why you missed the deadline, take a step back and think, 'Why did I not accomplish my goals?' You need to have long-term goals in mind and now is an opportunity to sit down and review them with an



Now is a good time to sit down with an adviser and review your investment goals, experts say.

adviser," Nardi said.

Rosanna De Jong, manager of financial planning with RBC in Edmonton, says changing your mindset is key — good financial planning is not as much about deadlines as it is

about steady commitment. Your money starts working for you the moment you put it into your RRSP, so

waiting until the yearly deadline actually means you lose out on up to a year of potential growth.

"Don't wait to contribute. Contributing early gives your savings more time to grow," De Jong

Nardi agrees, saying in an ideal world, you'd want to make your entire contribution for the coming year in March. While most people would be hard-pressed to make such a large contribution after just putting the previous year's money into their RRSP, for people who missed the deadline March can be an enormous opportunity to get a headstart on growth.

Regular, consistent contributing can also go a lot further than scrambling to find money at the end of the year, so both Nardi and De long suggest setting up

monthly contributions to your RRSP so you can spread the load over the course of the year. Having the money withdrawn automatically will ensure you have enough at year's end, and your money will start growing faster.

RBC financial planner

Mario Muzzo says you shouldn't let short-term shifts in the market shy you away from long-term investing. Stick to your investment plan and you'll able to changes.
"Don't be scared or de-

terred from the markets or investments in general by what's going on; look at your own situation, stay within your comfort zone and stick to your savings Muzzo Chances are on your side that you'll be successful more often than not."

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TFSA a great tax tool: Experts

The annual RRSP deadline also comes with lots of questions.

Will you make a contribution?

Will you put it in fixed income or equity investments?

to ask yourself an additional question: Do you put your money in a Registered Retirement Savings Plan, or a Tax-Free Savings Plan?

The answer will depend on how much money you make, as well as your personal financial situation, and a host of other factors.

But what financial planning experts do agree on is this: The TFSA, as it's known, can be a great tax planning tool that, for many Canadians, will be a key way to build wealth down the road.

"I believe over the next 20 years or so, you're going to be looking at TFSA accounts that are well into the six figures, in other words over \$100,000, just from people contributing every single year, plus the growth on that money," said Jamie Golombek, managing director, tax and estate planning, for CIBC Private Wealth Manage-

ment.
"People should not be ignoring TFSAs.

Financial planning experts agree that if you are in a low-income bracket now — if you're making less than \$40,000 annually it doesn't make much sense to contribute to an RRSP because you won't be saving much on taxes.



While an annual investment of \$5,000 into a Tax-Free Savings Account doesn't seem like much now, it could grow to more than \$550,000 over 35 years, financial experts say.

As well, you could end up having some government benefits clawed back in retirement if you are withdrawing a large amount from your retirement nest egg.

Keep in mind that the government prescribes how much can be withdrawn from the registered account, (by then you will have converted it to a RRIF, or Registered Retirement Income Fund) and those withdrawals are classified as income.

Withdrawals from a TF-SA savings account, on the other hand, are not counted as income.

For people in a lower income bracket, "starting a TFSA and consistently contributing \$5,000 a year would be a great boon," said Adam Salahudeen, of Scotiabank. "Don't fooled into thinking that it doesn't sound like very much."

For example, \$5,000 a year invested annually with a 6 per cent rate of re-turn and no withdrawals would grow to more than \$550,000 over 35 years.

"While today that \$5,000 contribution doesn't seem like very much, in 20 years

"Starting a TFSA and consistently contributing \$5,000 a year would be a great boon."

Adam Salahudeen

from now, that build-up of contribution room will be very powerful," Salahudeen said.

If you are in a high income tax bracket now and expect to be in a lower one in retirement, as most people would be, it's a good idea to contribute to an RRSP first, then do your additional savings in a taxfree account.

There are important ways to use these accounts together. For instance, if you are not earning much now, but expect your income to climb in the coming years, start saving in a TFSA and then pull it out to contribute to an RRSP.

"Then you would get a tax deduction when you're in a higher tax bracket and you would restore your TF-SA contribution room the following year because any withdrawals from a TFSA can automatically be recontributed the following

year," Golombek said. Keep in mind that, unlike withdrawals from an RRSP, there are no taxes to be paid on a TFSA. You can take out as much as you like at any time for any reason. Withdrawals are simply added to your contribution room the following calendar year.

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According to the eighth Rethink RetirementTM survey, almost half of all Canadian workers (44 per cent) managed to keep their finances on track despite the recession. NEWS CANADA

Jobs & Training

Trend indicates more licensed practical nurses on the way

MICHELLE LINDSTROM for Metro Edmonton

Interest in nursing remains strong, and some Alberta post-secondary institutions have continued to increase the number of spots available over the past decade to train students as registered nurses (RNs), licensed practical nurses (LPNs) or registered psychiatric nurses (RPNs).

The current health-care trend within Alberta indicates the ratio of RNs to LP-Ns will shift to increase the presence of LPNs.

Dianne Tapp, dean of nursing at the University of Calgary, says this shift could be an issue since even though the clinical care paths are similar between RNs and LPNs, their roles are quite different.

Bill DuPerron, dean of health and community care at Bow Valley College, says his experience in the health-care system and teaching leads him to be-lieve practical nurses are a great, underutilized treasure. He sees the ratio shift as a positive one.

Nursing programs

- University of Calgary: The bachelor degree in nursing program is four years long, but there is an accelerated two-year version for those who already have a bachelor's degree and want to enter nursing. The U of C also offers graduate studies.
- Bow Valley College: The institution's intense, twoyear LPN diploma program is highly flexible with some online training options.
- **RN training** can be found at Athabasca University, Grande Prairie Regional College, Grant MacEwan University, Keyano College, Lethbridge College, Medicine Hat College, Mount Royal University, Red Deer College, University of Alberta and University of Calgary. See nurses.ab.ca for more.
- LPN training is available at Valley College, NorQuest College, Northern Lakes College, Columbia College, Lethbridge College, Portage College and Red Deer College. See clpna.com for more.

Alberta sees jobs increase

Looks like Edmonton remains the City of Champions when it comes to jobs over the last year as Edmonton is currently boasting a lower unemployment rate than

Calgary.

But fear not Calgary, with only a 0.3 of a per cent difference behind Edmonton, things are beginning to look up for the province.

"The big picture is that Edmonton gained employment between December 2009 and January 2010,' says Vincent Ferrao, labour market analyst for Statistics Canada.

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for January 2010, Alberta is sitting in third for the lowest unemployment rate in the country, after its more easterly neighbours Saskatchewan and Manitoba respectively.

"It looks like things have



The health-care sector is the fastest-growing sector in Calgary.

started to turn around for

the province," says Ferrao. From June 2009 to December 2009, the province has begun to see an increase in jobs.

"This contrasts with the steep decline that we saw at the beginning of the downturn," says Ferrao.

Edmonton has been seemore broad-based gains across many sectors whereas Calgary has been seeing a lot more spikes in some industries and larger declines in others.

'Recently we have seen a bit of a pick-up, but not much," says Ferrao. "It is better to stand still than to fall backwards."

Over the past 12 months, Edmonton has seen its biggest increase in the accommodation and services

"It looks like things have started to turn around for the province."

Vincent Ferrao, Statistics Canada

industry, but you may want to pack up and head to Calgary if you are looking for a career in the health-care field.

With the health-care sector being the fasting-growing sector in Calgary, health-care professionals finally have something to smile about.

Calgary was hit harder in the decline of the manufacturing and natural resource jobs than Edmonton, but compared to the rest of the country, the unemployment woes are nothing like the decline of iobs that Windsor, Ont., has seen.

"Ontario was very badly hit during the downturn, says Ferrao

Because of the decline of the auto industry during the economic downturn, Windsor's unemployment rate for January 2010 was the worst in the country at 12.8 per cent.

According to the stats from the past year, it appears that the worst is behind Alberta and gradual gains are in the future.

"I would not say it was going back to the boom times, but it is not losing employment," says Ferrao. "There is a lot of territory to catch up on.'

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Mount Royal launches new logo

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Workology

Labour shortages loom

The labour shortages that existed before the market downturn will resurface once the economy fully recovers, the Canadian Chamber of Commerce warns in a new report released yesterday. To realize Canada's full potential, businesses will need to tap the country's pool of underutilitized talent: Older workers, Aboriginal peoples, individuals with disabilities, and new immigrants, the report says.

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Making tasty things look tastier

Working the Wok

For the month of February, Metro's Workology section will be focusing on some delicious food-related careers. This is the last in the series, so check Metronews.ca to read the whole thing and stay tuned for next month's theme, engineering.

JON TATTRIE for Metro Canada

When Lucie Richard contemplated a career as a food stylist, she worried she was lacking a critical personality trait.

"I thought they were way too anal," she admits. "They promised me they could make me an anal person and they were successful. I can spend a lot of time looking at five peas on a plate."

That fine eye for detail is important for the make-up artists of the food world. A former chef, Richard (lucie richard.ca) prepares food for photo shoots and keeps it looking hot, cold, juicy or tender, depending on the item. The freelancer works in editorial, advertising and packaging.

"Basically, I'm being paid to play with my food, which I was reprimanded for as a child," she jokes. "It's a fun way to work with food and not be in a restaurant kitchen."

Most food stylists have a background in food, but there is little direct training in North America. Tricks of the trade — like



A food stylist set up this stock photo and a food photographer shot it, sounds like a delicious job, no?

using tweezers and dental picks to shape food — are collected on the job. A deep knowledge of food is critical so that you know how a recipe will turn out

before you start and how food behaves over time.

When Richard is done, she hands over to food photographers like Yvonne Duivenvoorden. Duivenvo"Basically, I'm being paid to play with my food, which I was reprimanded for as a child." Food stylist Lucie Richard

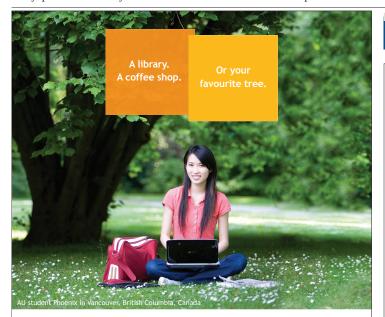
orden (Broad daylight.ca) trained as a photographer at Holland College in P.E.I. and then Ryerson University. She works in Toronto.

"As soon as I discovered that people actually do this for a living, I was caught up," she says of her preference for commercial photography over fine art. She started working as a photographer's assistant and recommends such informal apprenticing.

"The irony of it is that I can't cook a thing. I'm not even that interested in the flavour aspect of food. I see

it very much as shapes and colours on a plate," she says. "I see it as a still life."

That gives her a photographer's eye unbiased by a personal love of chocolate or hatred of liver. Like Richard, Duivenvoorden is quick to bust myths: Turkeys are not shellacked, mashed potatoes don't pretend to be ice cream and food doesn't sit under hot lights all day. At the end of a shoot, she says all of the dishes she photographs are edible, if a little tired, and she mostly relies on natural light.



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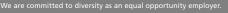




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Woods says sorry again: Report

Tiger Woods has offered another apology, this time to parents of children at the preschool that his two-year-old daughter attends, an Orlando television station reported yesterday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Peppers to be free agent

The Carolina Panthers have decided the price is too steep to keep their all-time sacks leader. Five-time Pro Bowl defensive end Julius Peppers, right, is about to become one of the top prizes in free agency. General manager Marty Hurney announced consecutive year at a cost of at least \$20.1 million US. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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The Mets brought Bay to

field, either.

self," he added.



Canada loss 'stung' Bay

Mets' off-season acquisition arrives at spring training

Jason Bay arrived at the New York Mets' spring-training camp yesterday and talked about everything from his health, to his defence, to his reaction to Canada's loss to the U.S. in Olympic hockey.

"That stung a little bit," said Bay, a British Columbia native who became a U.S. citizen last summer, but was quick to add, "I'm still a Canadian, through and through.

He's also a Met, having signed a four-year, \$66-million US contract as a free agent in December, And his adjustment to playing for his new team dominated the conversation during a 20-minute question-andanswer session with the media at Tradition Field.

"I've walked into a new clubhouse before," Bay said.

Until now, however, he hasn't played in the de-manding New York market. Nor has he played half

his games within the cavernous confines of Citi Field. But Bay, a three-time All-Star and the

2004 National League rookie of the year, said neither the size of the market nor the ballpark was a factor in his decision

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park any second thought," said Bay, 31, who batted .267 with 36 home runs and 119 RBIs for the

Boston Red Sox last season. "Or geogra-phy. A lot of people had me pegged as a West Coast guy because I live in Seattle.

"You get a chance, if you're lucky, to be a free

home runs, so be it. That's agent once or twice by no means my plan."
That's not the Mets' in your lifetime. Why plan, either. are you New York to provide pow-er, something that was in short supply as David Wright struggled to hit home runs and the team stumbled through an injury-ravaged, 92-loss sea-

son in 2009. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jason Bay

Sports in brief

CFL The 2009 season was a good one, on and off the field, for the Edmonton Eskimos. Edmonton returned to the West Division playoffs last season for the first time in four years, posting a 9-9 record to finish third. And yesterday, the CFL club announced at its annual general meeting that it

registered a 2009 profit of \$416,492.

NHL The home ice of the NHL's Nashville Predators is expected to get a new name from another company that's close to home. The current Sommet Center in downtown Nashville will become Bridgestone Arena under a naming rights contract that is pending approval by the Nashville Sports Authority, team officials said yesterday. **NBA** Recently acquired Washington Wizards forward Josh Howard will miss the remainder of the season after tearing the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee. Wizards president Ernie Grunfeld made the announcement in a

statement vesterday.

MLB Aaron Boone has ended his 12-year major league career and will become a basehall analyst for ESPN. He announced his retirement yesterday, saying it was "a privilege and honour" to have played for six different clubs in the majors.

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World Cup training sites still in flux

PLANNING FIFA general Jerome Valcke said yesterday he still doesn't know where all 32 World Cup teams will be based during the tournament in South Africa.

FIFA wanted the list of training camps completed yesterday, but those plans have been derailed by teams still changing their plans ahead of the event.

which starts June 11.

With more than three months to go, organizers still face problems with Soccer City — the incomplete Johannesburg venue for the opening match and

Organizers also need to fill stadiums and handle the scrutiny on England's proposed training camp.

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Vancouver Games

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Blunder proves costly for Dutch speedskating star

COACH If ever there was a blunder of Olympic proportions, this was it.

Dutch star Sven Kramer lost the Olympic gold medal yesterday when coach Gerard Kemkers sent him the wrong way on a changeover during the 25 laps of the 10,000-metre speedskating race — a mistake so elementary, it defies belief.

"It is a disastrous error," said Kemkers, still in shock because his faulty instructions had Kramer disqualified and moved Lee Seunghoon of South Korea to gold from silver.

Kramer had not lost a 10,000 in three years, making him the prohibitive favourite to win — until the inexplicable happened.

Every lap, a skater moves from the outside lane to the inside lane, or vice-versa, for a changeover to make sure everybody skates the same distance.

Kemkers didn't realize Kramer had already moved outside, and desperately pointed him inside with one finger while Kramer was making the right decision to move to the outside

The years of trust between coach and skater convinced Kramer to change his mind and move inside

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Auf Wiedersehen, Germany

JEFF HODSON ieff.hodson@metronews.ca

With about three minutes left in last night's 8-2 thrashing of Germany, the 16,000 raving fans let the world know exactly who they wanted to play in today's quarter-final as deafening chants of "We want Russia" threatened to blow the roof off Canada Hockey Place.

"They were just saying what they wanted, I don't think you could blame them," said Canada's Sidney Crosby, who will renew his often heated rivalry with Russian superstar Alexander Ovechkin on the world's largest stage.

The Russians won a bye to this afternoon's quarter-finals, finishing third behind the top-ranked Americans and Swedes.

"(Russia-Canada) is a big rivalry, we all know it," Crosby said. "It's something that everyone has been talking about before the Olympics ... the fact is, we have a big quarter-final game and the fact that it is them just adds more to it. I expect it will be a pretty incredible atmosphere."

Canada, ranked sixth after the preliminary round, opened the scoring last



Canada's Joe Thornton, right, celebrates his first-period goal last night against German goaltender Thomas Greiss with teammates Drew Doughty and Dany Heatley. Canada won 8-2.

night halfway through the first period. Joe Thornton beat German goaltender (and San Jose teammate) Thomas Greiss glove side after taking a pass from behind the net from Dany Heatley (another San Jose teammate).

The scoring began with a blast in the second.

A Shea Weber slapshot beat Greiss stick side and zipped clean through the netting, causing the water bottle to give a little jump.

Weber yelled at the referee and gestured wildly at the net, but the play continued for another 40 seconds or so, until a

whistle sounded and officials could review the play. Weber was soon awarded the goal.

Jarome Iginla had two goals on the night, while Crosby, Mike Richards, captain Scott Niedermayer and Rick Nash each scored in the third.

TV**Highlights**

12:15 p.m.: Cross-coun**try skiing** Men's 4x10 km relay classic gold medal (OLN). **1 p.m.: Men's hockey** Playoffs (Sportsnet). 2 p.m.: Long-track speedskating Women's 5,000m gold medal (CTV).

2:15 p.m.: Alpine skiing Women's giant slalom gold medal (TSN). 5:30 p.m.: Men's hockey Playoffs (CTV). 6 p.m.: Short-track speedskating Women's 3,000m relay final (TSN); 6 p.m.: Bobsled Women's gold medal (Sportsnet). 8 p.m.: Men's hockey Playoffs (TSN). 10 p.m.: Men's hockey Playoffs (CTV).

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Rochette's brave effort puts her in third place

FIGURE SKATING Just days after the death of her mother, Canadian figure skater Joannie Rochette held it togeth-

er on the ice and put on a show with a courageous performance in the Olympic women's short program last night.

The 24-year-old figure skater from Ile-Dupas, Que., scored a personal best 71.36 Joannie points for what had Rochette to be the most diffi-

cult program of her life. She stands a remarkable third going into Thursday's long program. The Canadian fought

The Canadian fought back tears when her name was announced in the warmup to huge applause, and again when she glided onto the ice.



In brief comments relayed through Skate Canada high performance director Mike Slipchuk, Rochette said words could not describe how she was feeling.

"Hard to handle, but appreciate the support. Will remember this forever."

Reigning world champion Kim Yu-Na of South Korea scored a world-record 78.50 points to lead the standings. Mao Asada of Japan is second with 73.78 points.

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Janka secures Swiss gold

Carlo Janka of Switzerland won the Olympic gold medal in giant slalom. Janka had a combined two-run time of two minutes 37.83 seconds to add the Olympic title to the world title he won last year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





Vancouver Games

Meet Ashleigh McIvor, Canada's latest hero

Canadian Ashleigh McIvor is the first Olympic women's ski-cross champion

The 26-year-old native of Whistler led from start to finish to win gold yester-day at the Vancouver Winter Games, where ski cross is making its Olympic debut.

Hedda Berntsen of Norway won silver at Cypress Mountain while Marion Josserand of France took the bronze.

McIvor is the defending world champion and won a World Cup silver medal on the Cypress course just more than a year ago. She is ranked second in the World Cup standings.

The high-drama event

Canadian finishes

 Kelsey Serwa of Kelowna, B.C., just missed making the final to finish fifth. Julia Murray of Whistler finished 12th while Danielle Poleschuk of Winnipeg finished 19th at Cypress Mountain.

features four skiers navigating a course with bumps, jumps and turns in a race to the finish line.

McIvor was Canada's first ski-cross racer to secure a spot on the Olympic freestyle team — which served as both a blessing and a curse for McIvor. She was thrilled to have a Games spot locked up well

in advance, but the early nomination only made the wait that much more difficult.

A natural daredevil, McIvor began skiing down her parents' carpeted steps at age two. As a child, she spent her summers traversing rugged terrain on her bike, and her winters blazing down the ski hill.

After winning her firstever ski-cross race seven years ago — and subsequently qualifying for the X Games — McIvor was hooked. Sponsors and ski companies lined up right away, recognizing the combination of movie-star beauty and raw talent made her an instant super-



Canadian Ashleigh McIvor celebrates yesterday after winning the gold medal during women's skicross competition at Cypress Mountain in West Vancouver.

A good cause, but are we missing the point of Own the Podium?



he intent of Own the Podium is to have Canadian athletes be competitive at the home Olympics. That's why about \$120 million has been invested over the past five years.

Mission accomplished.
As of the completion of
Day 12, Canada boasted 11
medals — six gold — and
another 18 fourth- or fifthplace finishes.
The results have come in

The results have come in almost all disciplines from figure skating to crosscountry skiing, and all sports in between.

Where Own the Podium has gone awry is in the interpretation of its mesage. Strangely, the moniker for a strategy to support high-performance athletes from this country has taken on a jingoistic connotation.

The tone has been slightly aggressive and Own the Podium has become a buzz phrase that when poorly translated ac-

tually runs counter to the ideals of the Olympics.

One of the founders of the modern Games, Pierre de Coubertin, envisioned a higher purpose for this international gathering.

"In the Olympics, as in life, the most important thing is not the victory," de Coubertin wrote.

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The goal of the Own the Podium program is noble indeed.

It's de-

It's designed to support Canadi-

an athletes who were notoriously undervalued by an affluent country that fancied itself full of youthful potential.

In other words, Canadians should excel in winter sports and contend for championships at an Olympics staged in this country.

It is right to be ambitious and competitive.

But to try to "own" something as elusive as the most medals at the Olympic Games can be characterized as being boastful and a challenge

that, if not delivered upon, is seen as a failure.

Own the Podium is any-

thing but a failure.

It is a plan whose trans-

It is a plan whose translation to the Canadian public has been flawed.

Canadian athletes are achieving at an exceptional level.

They are competing on even terms with the best

in the world.

The medals will come, and besides, no amount of money, science or coaching can assure success in the fickle arena of the

Olympic Games where anything can happen.

Own the Podium is a good plan, but it's the wrong name.

We should understand that Own the Podium is really about a consistent pursuit of excellence by all Canadian athletes.

Too bad something got lost in the translation.

Gemini Award winner and author Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. A 20-year CBC Sports veteran, he has covered a variety of professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

Canada's Cheryl Bernard grabs No. 1 seed

WOMEN'S CURLING Canadian curler Cheryl Bernard has stolen her way to the No. 1 seed at the Vancouver Olympics.

Bernard picked up four steals against 19-year-old British skip Eve Muirhead yesterday en route to a 6-5 win. With the victory, the Calgary skip improved her round-robin record at the Winter Games to 7-1 and assured her rink top seed for tomorrow's semifinal playoffs.

"That was again one of our better games, up in the top couple of per cent," Bernard said after the win.

Bernard said after the win.
Then, in what may be a
terrifying realization for
the rest of the field, she
added: "I still think there's
room, I think we can im-



Cheryl Bernard is shown during yesterday's win over Britain.

prove a little bit more."

Bernard, a 43-year-old from Calgary, will open the playoff round against two-time Olympic silver medallist Mirjam Ott of

Switzerland tomorrow.

Bernard beat Ott 5-4 in
her Games debut with a

harrowing draw in the 10th end.

The loss was the first of three in a row for Ott to start the tournament, though she rebounded by winning her next five con-

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MEN'S CURLING Canada's Kevin Martin made a clean sweep of the round robin in men's curling at the 2010 Winter Olympics yesterday, but will have to wait to find out who his opponent will be in tomorrow's semifinal. Martin made an open draw for four points in the first end of his game against China's Hongchen Li before romping to a 10-3 blowout. Canada, which had wrapped up first place a few days ago, ended the round robin with a 9-0 record.

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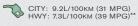


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Enter the Juke

Nissan Juke is headed to North America, the automaker recently announced. The all-new small crossover CUV will be added to Nissan's Canadian lineup in fall 2010.

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Toyota steps up for Tundra

NEIL MOORE for Metro Canada

"Here's a big enough spot," I say to my wife as we head towards the grocery store parking lot's back 40. This has been the story of my week, having been unable to park near the front doors — virtually anywhere — since picking up my tester, the 2010 Toyota 4x4 Tundra Double

Cab pickup truck.
Pickup trucks, especially the full-size ones, have always been about trade offs. To get the capacity and grunt you need for hauling building supplies, piles of dirt, large boats and horse trailers, you're saddled with a thirsty behemoth.

The 2010 Tundra is no exception, at least in terms of size. Substantially larger than Toyota's first effort in

2010 Toyota Tundra 4X4 Double Cab

Type: Full-size pickup truck Price: \$40,270 Engine: (as tested) 4.6-litre DOHC, 32-Valve V8 (310 hp, 327 lb/ft of torque) Fuel Economy: 14.9L/100 km city; 10.5L/100 km highway

Highlights

- Improved fuel economy and power
- Plenty of options for engines and cabs.

'93, the humble V6-powered T100 — today's Tundra is every bit as brawny as its

Big Three competitors.

But Toyota has felt the effects of buck-a-litre gas on truck sales and has responded with a new 4.6-litre base engine that improves not only on fuel economy, but

in power. My tester was built upon the base 4x4 Double Cab SR5 (4.6 litre) at \$35,790, adding the TRD Offroad package (\$4,105), along with a rear bumper step (\$347 installed) and a two-inch trailer ball (\$28 installed). This brings the MSRP up to \$40,270 and gets you a well equipped vester that the base of the state of the state

Standard equipment on the 4x4 Double Cab SR5 includes power windows and locks with keyless entry, dual zone climate control with filtration, six-speaker AM/FM/CD/MP3/WMA audio system, 60/40 foldable rear bench seat and a full suite of gauges that includes voltmeter, water temperature and transmission oil temperature.

Inside, seats are comfortable and supportive, upholstered in an attractive, high-quality fabric. The instru-



The Tundra's instrument layout provides a full suite of gauges and large, well-placed knobs that can be adjusted with gloved hands.

ments are amber lit and deeply inset, with metallic surrounds. Hoever, the silver finish and shiny black plastic panels could use a little updating.

This generation of Tundra has done well according to carbuyers, journalists and industry experts. And by gaining credibility, Tundra should continue to build market share in this once highly brand-loyal segment.

Road to licence with e-driving

ONLINE TRAINING According to a 2009 meta study from the U.S. Department of Education, students who took all or part of their class online performed better, on average, than those taking the same course through traditional face-to-face instruction. Students who mixed online learning with traditional coursework (i.e. blended learning) did even better.

Always on the cutting edge of learning, Young Drivers of Canada has recently launched YD e-Experience, a new, interactive online training session that allows novice drivers to learn at their own pace from their home computer.

The 10-hour online training, which is only available from YD, is easy to use, engaging and effective. The interactive videos, 3-D animations, photos, graphics and easy-to-follow voice-over narrative, make learning to drive an enjoyable experience. Segments take between 20 minutes to 30 minutes to complete, and students can choose the amount of time they want to spend at each sitting.

"We are always looking for new ways to build a strong foundation of knowledge for our students."

Peter Christianson, Young Drivers of Canada

"A lot has changed in the 40 years that YD has been training new drivers, so we are always looking for new ways to build a strong foundation of knowledge for our students," said Peter Christianson, president of Young Drivers of Canada.

YD e-Experience is part of the YD Novice Driving course, which is a beginner driver education (BDE) course. The other course components consist of 20 hours of in-class instruction that includes state-of-the-art HD video footage and 10 hours of private in-car training with only one student in the vehicle with the instructor.

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Car dream come true in Canada



wo Canadian vehicles made month.

The "electric" Olympia ice-resurfacing machine, made in Ontario, was the subject of much discussion, after experiencing technical difficulties at the Vancouver Olympics. It apparently missed the memo about "Owning the Podi-

The other Canadian vehicle that had people talking was the HTT Plethore LC-750. Its appearance at the recent Toronto auto show marked the first time the supercar was shown at a Canadian event in "production ready" trim.

The Plethore is definitely better looking than the Olympia — and faster.

Apparently, the LC-750,



Canadian Luc Chartrand's supercar, the HTT Plethore LC-750, is finally ready for production.

which packs a 705-hp super-charged 6.2-litre V8, "can easily reach speeds of more than 340 km/hr." A 1,300 hp version aims to break the speed record by a production car currently established at 412 km/hr.

If all this sounds very unmodest and therefore un-Canadian, it is, and for that we should all sigh, "Hallelu-

A "dare to dream" thing like this doesn't happen

much anywhere, and particularly in Canada, without single-minded passion. The man with the passion and drive and imagination is Luc Chartrand, who started the Plethore project over 10 years ago.

"Luc is the founder of the company (HTT Technologies), and the designer and engineer behind the projsays company president, Sebastien Forest, "He basically started from

scratch." He considers Luc "an artist," an artist that just happens to work with the automotive form.

Luc's vision started with a central driving position, like any racecar. Two passengers can come along for the ride, in seats that flank each side of the driver's seat.

Both its chassis and bodywork are rendered in carbon fibre. Needless to say, this makes the car both increadibly rigid and incredibly light.

The sticker price on LC-750 is \$395,000. Only eight will be produced this year, starting in October. Six are already sold. If all goes according to plan, 25 will be built the following year. (Never more than 50 per year after that.)

An (undisclosed) U.S. firm has developed the engine, from the same engine block found in the Z1 Corvette.

"(Luc Chartrand) basically started from scratch."

HTT Technologies president Sebastien Forest on the company's founder

The brakes and wheels are sourced from the U.K. Other than that, the Plethora is virtually "all Canadian."

HTT focuses on development and final assembly. The area around HTT's headquarters in St-Eustache, Que., is not only blessed with a high-speed test track, but also world-class fabricators, because they sprang up to help Bombardier build all those airplanes.

When you hear "Buy Canadian" they're usually talking about peaches or potatoes. How cool is it to now add a supercar to the 'Made in Canada" list?

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for over 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

esson in treating them right

HEATHER BUCHAN for Metro Canada

The car business remains a male-dominated industry. Yet, today, more than 50 per cent of automotive-related purchases — tires, repairs and vehicle maintenance are made by women.

For many women though, walking into a car dealership or an auto body shop is an intimidating experience, according to Jody DeVere, founder and CEO of AskPatty.com - a U.S.based website providing automotive advice to women. And that's why DeVere recently launched a certified

female-friendly program for automotive businesses in Canada

Essentially, the program trains dealerships, collision centres, quick-lube locations, service and repair centres, and tire dealers in how to create a more comfortable environment for women — and that primarily comes down to communication. Women and men simply communicate differ-

"One of the complaints we have from women is that they don't feel respected," says Patricia Muir, who is heading up the Canadian side of the program.

Muir refers to her own ex-

perience buying a car where the male salesperson spoke only to Muir's husband.

Training is done completely online and consists of 19 modules covering topics ranging from communication, to diversity-sensitivity, to time-management, to community involvement.

Currently, there are over 100 certified auto businesses in the U.S. Muir says three major Canadian tire dealers are interested in signing up for the training.

'It's basically developing their communication skills and people skills to include what women are sensitive to and how women



AskPatty.com, a website that offers car advice to women, has launched a program to help automotive businesses create a more female-friendly environment.

want to be treated," explains Muir.

Once a business is certified as being female-friendly, it is included in AskPatty.com's network of busiso women can nesses, search for a certified business close to go to on the website.

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Travel



International travellers health guide

The Yellow Book is published every two years by CDC as a reference for those who advise international travelers about health risks. The Yellow Book is written primarily for health professionals, but most travellers will find it very useful. The book now cites potential ailments found at specific destinations. And has sections that address the risks of going over seas for medical care. It also addresses health concerns when traveling with infants what to consider with international adoptions. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Stick around after Olympics

Emerald Lake Lodge perfect place to unwind after Games excitement

It may be one of the most peaceful places on earth.

Emerald Lake Lodge, located near Field, B.C., in Yoho National Park, is a year-round destination that attracts those looking for peace and quiet and others looking for a perfect romantic getaway. It's about a 20-minute drive from Lake Louise, Alta., and straddles the Alberta-B.C. border.

During the winter a snowy, white blanket covers Emerald Lake making it a mecca for cross-country skiers, snowshoers or for the more adventurous — iceclimbers who seek out the many frozen waterfalls in the area.

During the summer months, the lake is an intense turquoise, surrounded by a forest of Engelmann spruce. It's mirror-like surface provides an inverse image of Mount Burgess and Mount Wapta. Canoeing, kayaking and the most popular activity of all, hiking, keeps guests occupied.

But the thing you notice most is the absolute quiet. A bus picks you up at a parking lot about a kilometre from the lodge.

Once you cross the bridge, there is literally

not a sound. It is the perfect location to calm down after all the Olympic excitement.

There is no television, phone or Internet service in any of the 85 rooms located in 25 cabins.

Just a woodburning fieldstone fireplace, a bed with a down duvet and a breathtaking view that will calm the mind.

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Emerald Lake Lodge is open year round and a popular tourist destination.



Johnny Depp will appear on CBS's 48 Hours Mystery on Saturday to advocate the release of the "West Memphis Three," young men convicted in 1994 of murdering three boys during a satanic ritual. POPEATER.CA

Glee club Entertainment er Egg Roll on April 5 — and, barring any last-minute glitches, they're gonna do it. EW.COM

The Crazies go 'over the top'

Star says new film is more love story than zombie flick

The

CHRIS ALEXANDER

Though marketed as a zombie film, Breck Eisner's remake of George A. Romero's post-Night of the Living Dead thriller The Crazies is really a kind of love story. Or at least that's what co-star Radha Mitchell thinks.

lovely. lithe Australian ac-**Crazies** tress is no stranger to opens in horror theatres films, having starred in 2006's cult on Friday surrealist shocker Silent

But with The Crazies, it was the human element that persuaded her to sign

on .
"I was in Calcutta when I got the script," says Mitchell, whose credits include Woody Allen's Melinda and Melinda and Jonathan Mostow's Surro-

"I wasn't sure about do-

ing another horror film but it was the central drama, of this relationship between a husband and the love he has for his wife that appealed to me."

The Crazies charts the 48 hours following the outbreak of a stray biochemical weapon nick-named "Trixie," a virus that snakes its way into a small town's water

supply, turning all of its victims into red faced homicidal luwho murder anything with a heartbeat. Sheriff Timothy

Olyphant (HBO's Deadwood) is one of the lucky uninfected, corralled by the government for relocation. His wife, Mitchell is not so lucky. His frantic search to find her is the story's main thrust.

"My character is tough," says the actress.

'To find a strong female role in this genre is so

Though the film favours



Actresss Radha Mitchell says it was the human element of her newest movie The Crazies that persuaded her to sign on.

"I wasn't sure about doing another horror film but it was the central drama, of this relationship between a husband and the love he has for his wife that appealed to Radha Mitchell

drama over gore, the look of the infected victims, or "the crazies" is suitably disgusting: Their skin is mottled, eyes blown out and pulsing veins pro-

everywhere. Romero himself (who is credited as executive producer here) recently tols Metro that making Trixie's victims appear like rotting zombies (they're not) was an odd, potentially misleading choice, but Mitchell disagrees.

"The whole point of the

movie is the juxtaposition between the horror and the humanity," she says.
"Breck wanted the cra-

zies to be completely over the top, to make them terrifying. It's a theatrical device and it makes the heroes dangerous situation seem that much more intense.

Cash album released 6 years after death

Johnny Cash's voice comes in with a rumble, singing that there "ain't no grave that can hold my body down." A shuffling beat that sounds like heavy chains being carried back and forth accompanies him.

It sounds both reassuring and, let's be honest, a little creepy.

He's been dead for six years now. Even a voice that iconic can't speak from the Great Beyond, can it?

No, it's what he left behind — the sixth and last of the American Recordings series he made with producer Rick Rubin. The disc, American VI: Ain't No Grave was be released yes-terday. Cash's 78th birthday would have been Friday.

Like the series' fifth disc, also released posthumously in 2006, it contains mostly recordings made by Cash in



Johnny Cash, who has been dead for six years, worked with producer Rick Rubin on American VI: Ain't No Grave.

the last few months of his life. His way of working through the grief over his wife June's death, also in 2003, was to work as much as his health permitted.

"When we first went back and listened to the recordings after he had passed, it really just felt like this voice coming back from another place," Rubin said. "It had all this weight and gravity to it. It was scarv.

You can hear the good days and bad days in his voice. Sometimes it's weak, as if Cash was struggling for his breath. Other times it's stronger, more familiar to fans who have listened to him for decades.

When he had finished the fourth disc of the series that gave him a professional rebirth, Cash thought the run was over. He was a little melancholic — until Rubin told him they should start the next one tomorrow.

"His eyes lit up," he said.
"He really got excited. He didn't know if he could do it, he didn't know if anybody cared that he could do it. He felt like he'd given what he had to give. The

possibility that there was more for him to give really excited him and from that moment on he was really on." The unadorned series of recordings were a late-inlife artistic revival for Cash. Along with the title cut, Ain't No Grave, the songs Cash sings includes ones by Kris Kristofferson, Sheryl Crow, Tom Paxton and an original he wrote in his last three years.

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Kirk Cameron is offering help to his former Growing Pains cast mate Andrew Koenig, who went missing in Vancouver over a week ago. "I am praying for his family during this time of distress and for his safe return," Cameron said. POPEATER.CA

Husky inducted into Country Music Hall of Fame

Ferlin Husky usually gets a lot of calls in the spring from friends telling him this has to be the year he'll be inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame.

'Every year I've heard that — for the last 15 or 20 years," Husky said with a ľaugh.

This time it's true. The Country Music Association on Tuesday announced that Husky and three other genre-expanding country music stars will be new inductees to the Hall of Fame.

Husky crossover pioneer Jimmy Dean, producer Billy Sherrill and top-sellsinger Don ing Williams. The men will be inducted into the Hall in Nashville. Tenn.. later this year.

It's been a long wait for Husky, who is 84. One of the best- Husky



Fame.

selling popular artists regardless of genre in the 1950s and '60s, Husky figured he just wasn't country enough for the Country Music Hall of

"The main thing I'm proud of this is for

my family and for the many people who want to see me go in there before I die," Husky said. "It's a great honour.

Husky and Dean — both selected as Veterans Era Artists in a tie under a new selection process this year - took country music to

wider audiences by using the relatively new medium of television to earn new fans.

Cameron prays for former co-star

Dean, best known for the spoken narrative hit Big Bad John, hosted The Morning Show, an early morning variety show on CBS.

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Johnny Depp stars in Alice In

U.K. chain puts Alice on ice

FILM British cinema chain Odeon will not show Tim Burton's fantasy adventure Alice in Wonderland in Britain, Ireland and Italy because of a dispute over the timing of the film's DVD release, the company said yesterday.

Odeon objects to Walt Disney Pictures' decision to leave only 12 weeks between the film's theatrical and DVD releases in those countries, rather than the usual 17 weeks.

Odeon said it had invested "considerable sums of money in digital projection equipment to show 3-D films and a shorter window to screen films would undermine its investment."

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Adams, Sainte-Marie tapped for GG awards

Bryan Adams and Buffy Sainte-Marie are among the recipients of this year's Governor General's Performing Arts Awards.

The prizes, announced Tuesday in Montreal, are given for lifetime artistic achievement.

Quebec theatre actress and broadcaster Francoise Faucher, artist manager Walter Homburger, Quebec choreographer Edouard Lock and actor/stage director Robin Phillips — who spent six seasons with the Stratford Shakespeare Festival — round out the list of honourees.

"Time will never erase the pathways that these great performing artists have traced, both for us the public and for young generations of creators," said Gov.-Gen. Michaëlle Jean.

"For they are pathways of light that cross through our lives and shed a brighter light on everything they touch. And so we thank them for all of



Bryan Adams is among the recipients of this year's Governor General's performing arts awards.

those rays of hope they shine on our world, which would otherwise be a darker and duller place."

Adams, born in Kingston, Ont., and raised in Vancouver, has won dozens of music awards and has racked up a slew of hit songs including Summer of '69, Run to You and Heaven.

Earlier this month, he was one of the featured performers at the opening ceremonies for the Winter Games.

Saskatchewan-born
Sainte-Marie is known for
her music, philanthropy
and activism. Her songs

have been covered by a long list of high-profile artists and she co-wrote Up Where We Belong, which won the Academy Award for best song in 1982.

for best song in 1982.

Jean will present the awards April 30 at Rideau Hall in Ottawa. Recipients each receive \$25,000 and a medallion struck by the Royal Canadian Mint.

The Ramon John Hnatyshyn Award for Voluntarism in the Performing Arts was given to Mohammed and Yulanda Faris, prominent supporters of the Vancouver arts community for four decades. THE CAMADIAN PRESS

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Naomi Campbell, 39, was given the Outstanding Contribution award at Tuesday's Elle Style Awards in recognition of her 25-year career and the work she does for safe pregnancy charity The White Ribbon Alliance, femalefirst.co.uk reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

etalk's Lainey Lui dishes out celeb dirt in three's Three

ROBERTO LUONGO. Vancouver goaltender Roberto Luongo is now charged with guarding the home side as Team Canada faces a difficult road to hockey gold. He is playing on familiar ice at GM Place and he makes a point of starting every game at home if he's healthy because he feels he owes it to the home fans. It's his rink, it's his town, and he says he's ready for the challenge. Here are three things you might not know about Roberto Luongo:

ONE Luongo replaces Martin Brodeur in net. Both grew up in St Leonard, Que., a suburb just outside Montreal, where both have arenas named after them.

TWO Luongo's first boss was his dad. He worked in the family shoe store selling shoes as a teenager before devoting most of his free time to hockey practice.



Lainey Lui is a reporter for etalk and runs the popular gossip site, LaineyGossip.com. As part of CTV's Olympic Broadcast Team, Lainey is on the ground in Whistler reporting on entertainment news from the Vancouver 2010
Olympic Winter Games.

And Janet makes 5

IA TOYA WAS ON A SÉANCE Janet Jackson has reportedly agreed to join brothers Tito, Iermaine, Marlon and Tackie for a Tackson 5 reunion tour later this year that was originally supposed to feature Michael lackson.

"Janet will be joining us. We're all talking about it now," Jermaine told Australian reporters, according to Hollyscoop.
"She has never played

with us before, so that will be very special.

She definitely wants to do it. We had a conference call and Janet has agreed to ioin us on tour.'

Jermaine also said the group will like-

ly use some of the sets built for Michael's This Is It shows in

London. METRO WORLD

Where it's at ... I got two cartons of smokes

AND A SHOT OF B12 Lindsay Lohan knows how to handle jet lag.

The actress hurried back from London to host a party in Atlantic

Čity and re-portedly wanted to make sure the time change didn't affect her.

"She said she was suffer-

quested that a doctor be on call to administer B12 shots if needed," a source tells Page Six.

"Her other demand was two cartons of cigarettes. Lohan then relaxed in a private cabana with her mother and friends, where she criticized the DJ, saying "a certain ex-girl-friend" could do better — a reference

Samantha Ronson. METRO WORLD NEWS

Letting Brooke out of the bag

AND PUTTING HER BACK INTO ANOTHER REHAB Charlie Sheen's wife. Brooke Mueller, has settled into a new rehab facility and is getting ready to sue the one she just vacated after staff leaked information about her stay to the press, according to TMZ.

"Brooke was forced to leave the Canyon rehab facility because of the security breach," her Yale lawyer,

Galanter, tells the Web site.

"Brooke no longer feels she can go into a public facility because of the breach confidentiality Canyon committed.



Farrah's final curtain call

HOPEFULLY SOMEONE WILL BE WATCHING IT Redmond O'Neal's battle with drug addiction may be featured in a new documentary about his late mother Far-Fawcett,

femalefirst.co.uk reports. In the letter Ryan has written outlining his plans for the show he says, "We plan to focus on three

legacy: her art (namely her her 🌆 films and her sculptures); her inspirational battle with cancer; and the light of her life,

main areas of her

our son Redmond, who is now fighting to reclaim himself in honour of his mother"

In his letter — obtained website RadarOn line.com - Ryan also said the documentary will include Fawcett's voice from 'an original, never-aired 2005 interview with neverbefore-seen footage from

our private collection of home movies.

Ryan and Redmond were arrested together on drugs charges in 2008 after the drug Crystal Meth was found at Ryan's home.

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A Canadian pops up in Paris

AND THEN GETS MOBBED. WELL, WE ARE PRETTY AWE-SOME Teen pop sensation Justin Bieber had to cut an in-store appearance in Paris short after the event descended into chaos, according to PopCrunch.

Bieber was told by po lice that they could not control the thousands of screaming fans who showed up.

"They reorganized the crowd and we got it going

but after a little while the police stopped it and came in and said it was over and I had to leave," the 15-yearold singer posted on his Twitter ac-

count. any of the kids I didn't get to meet." WORLD NEWS

Measuring up "Sorry to TO HIS 'MEASURING STICK

Katy Perry admits that fiancé Russell Brand's history as a "ladies' man" can be a bit daunting.

"Can you imagine the kind of responsibility I have with his reputation?" she says, according to

Showbiz Spy.
"I'm bedridden most of the week."

But the singer insists she's happy to let the British comedian lead

"He's the boss; he calls the shots. I like that. I've been waiting for

someone I couldn't steamroll.

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Feel his poetic urge coming

EWW! NO, PUT IT AWAY! Mel Gibson had quite a hand in girlfriend Oksana

Grigorieva's album, new having written lyrics for two of the songs.

"I always felt the poetic urge coming, so I've been providing lyrics

and stuff for a few of her songs," Gibson tells Extra.

"I've been writing poetry and stuff since I was a teenager. Didn't want to .. Didnnit that friends." to

In exchange, Grigorieva says Gibson is letting her score his next film.

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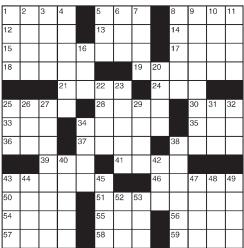






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Metro Recipe of the Day

Asian BBQ Beef

INGREDIENTS:

1 flank steak, trimmed 1/2 cup orange juice 2 tbsp sov sauce 2 tsp sesame oil 1 tbsp plus 1 tsp light brown sugar 1 tsp ground ginger 1/4 tsp red pepper flakes 1 red pepper, slivered 2 scallions, thinly sliced 2 tbsp chopped fresh mint 1/2 tsp salt 227 mL can sliced water

1 cup brown rice METHOD:

1. Thinly slice flank steak across grain for 8 thin slices

chestnuts, drained

2. Combine 1/4 cup orange juice, soy sauce, sesame oil, 1 tbsp brown sugar, ginger and 1/8 tsp red pepper flakes in shallow bowl Add beef slices, tossing to coat. Cover and refrigerate 1 hour.

3. Combine red pepper. scallions, mint and salt with remaining orange juice, 1 tsp brown sugar, and 1/8 tsp red pepper flakes. Add chestnuts, toss, and refrigerate until serving time.

4. Cook brown rice. Fluff with fork. 5 Preheat broiler. Lift meat

from marinade and thread onto eight skewers. Place skewers on broiler pan and broil 4 in. (10 cm) from heat, brushing with marinade after 2 minutes. Turn skewers and broil 2 minutes. Serve skewers on rice with water chestnut salad.

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so why not deal with it now?

LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23

Little things can seem so important but, of course, in the greater scheme of things they are of no real significance.

TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

The Sun is moving through the area of the heavens that governs friendships, group activities and what you truly believe.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

Scorpio is a Water sign, which means that you tend to listen more to your heart than your

GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21

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Promises made in the heat of the night have a way of falling apart, so make sure you can deliver before you promise a loved one the world.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

Although loved ones may be more emotional than is good for them at the moment, you will only make matters worse if you yell at them.

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CANCER JUNE 22-JULY 22

The Sun in Pisces makes you eager for new experiences but that eagerness could be your undoing.

CAPRICORN

You may have more energy than most people but not even you can keep up this red-hot pace forever.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

You have a knack for being in the right place at the right time and at some point today you will benefit from another individual's loss

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An arrangement of some kind is not working out the way you expected and the \$64,000 question is: what are you going to

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

It does not matter that you have a pile of work to get through, you must make time for loved ones today.

PISCES

FFR 19-MARCH 20

With the Sun moving through your birth sign it is only natural that you should be a bit full of yourself at the moment, but don't let it go too far.

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